

## IN THE CLAIMS

Applicant requests the claims be amended to read:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A masonry tuck point tool comprising:

5        a selected tuck blade and at least one remaining tuck blade pivotally attached at a  
            first end, said selected tuck blade and each of said at least one remaining  
            tuck blade having a distinct blade width,  
wherein said selected tuck blade is pivoted approximately 180 degrees away from  
said at least one remaining tuck blade thereby allowing said at least one  
10        remaining tuck blade to be used as a handle at said first end while said  
            selected tuck blade is utilized for striking a masonry joint with a second  
            end opposite said first end of said at least one remaining tuck blade,  
wherein said selected tuck blade and said at least one remaining tuck blade are  
            uniformly bent to permit parallel stacking.

15        2. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The masonry tuck point tool of claim 1, wherein said  
            selected tuck blade and said at least one remaining tuck blade are rigid spring  
            steel.

20        3. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The masonry tuck point tool of claim 1, wherein said  
            selected tuck blade and said at least one remaining tuck are hard plastic.

25        4. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The masonry tuck point tool of claim 1, wherein said  
            selected tuck blade and said at least one remaining tuck blade are bent at an  
            approximately 35 degree angle across said blade width between said first end and  
            said second end.

30        5. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The masonry tuck point tool of claim 1, wherein said  
            selected tuck blade and said at least one remaining tuck blade are of distinct  
            lengths.

6. (WITHDRAWN) A method of striking a mortar joint between two adjacent masonry elements with a masonry tuck point tool, said masonry tuck point tool having a selected tuck blade and at least one remaining tuck blade pivotally attached at a first end of said selected tuck blade and said remaining tuck blades, comprising:

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                  selecting said selected tuck blade having said desired grout width;  
                  rotating said selected tuck blade approximately 180 degrees away from  
                  said remaining tuck blades;  
                  grasping said remaining tuck blades;  
10                  dragging said selected tuck blade between the adjacent masonry elements  
                  at a depth required to create the desired grout joint appearance.

15                 7. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The masonry tuck point tool of claim 1, wherein said selected tuck blade and said at least one remaining tuck blade are bent at an angle of approximately between 20 and 35 degrees across said blade width between said first end and said second end.

20                 8. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The masonry tuck point tool of claim 4, wherein said angle is approximately equidistant between said first end and said second end.

9. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The masonry tuck point tool of claim 7, wherein said angle is approximately equidistant between said first end and said second end.

25                 10. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The masonry tuck point tool of claim 1, wherein said selected tuck blade and said at least one remaining tuck blade have similar blade lengths.

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11. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A masonry tuck point tool, comprising:

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a selected tuck blade and an at least one remaining tuck blade pivotally attached at  
a first end, said selected tuck blade and each of said at least one remaining  
tuck blade having a distinct blade width,

wherein said selected tuck blade is pivoted approximately 180 degrees away from

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said at least one remaining tuck blade thereby allowing said at least one  
remaining tuck blade to be used as a handle at said first end while said  
selected tuck blade is utilized for striking a masonry joint with a second  
end opposite said first end of said at least one remaining tuck blade,

wherein said selected tuck blade and said at least one remaining tuck blade are

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uniformly bent at an angle of from 20 to 35 degrees between said first end  
and said second end to permit parallel stacking.